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President Obama nominates Lafe Solomon to be General Counsel, Terence F. Flynn to be Member of the National Labor Relations Board

The White House today announced that the President intends to nominate Lafe E. Solomon to be General Counsel of the National Labor Relations Board and Terence F. Flynn to be a Board Member of the National Labor Relations Board.

Lafe Solomon, a career attorney at the National Labor Relations Board, was named Acting General Counsel of the NLRB by President Obama as of June 21, 2010. As the NLRB's top investigative and prosecutorial officer, the General Counsel has supervisory authority over all Regional Offices and guides policy on issuing complaints, seeking injunctions, and enforcing the Board's decisions. Mr. Solomon began his NLRB career as a field examiner in Seattle in 1972. After taking a break to pursue a law degree, he returned to the NLRB as an attorney in the Office of Appeals. He transferred to the Appellate Court Branch in 1979. In 1981, Mr. Solomon joined the staff of former NLRB Board Member Don Zimmerman, and in the coming years he went on to work for another nine Board Members, including Donald Dotson, Robert Hunter, John Higgins, James Stephens, Mary Cracraft, John Raudabaugh, William Gould, Sarah Fox and Wilma Liebman. Mr. Solomon received a B.A. degree in Economics from Brown University in 1970 and a J.D. from Tulane University in 1976.

Terence F. Flynn is currently detailed to serve as Chief Counsel to NLRB Board Member Brian Hayes. Mr. Flynn was previously Chief Counsel to former NLRB Board Member Peter Schaumber, where he oversaw a variety of legal and policy issues in cases arising under the National Labor Relations Act. From 1996 to 2003, Mr. Flynn was Counsel in the Labor and Employment Group of Crowell & Moring, LLP, where he handled a wide range of labor and employment issues, including collective bargaining negotiations, litigation of unfair labor practices, defense of ERISA claims, and wage and hour disputes, among other matters. From 1992 to 1995, he was a litigation associate at the law firm David, Hager, Kuney & Krupin, where he counseled clients on federal, state, and local employment and wage hour laws, NLRB arbitrations, and other labor relations disputes.

Mr. Flynn started his law career at the firm Reid & Priest, handling labor and immigration matters from 1990 to 1992. He holds a B.A. degree from University of Maryland, College Park and a J.D. from Washington & Lee University School of Law.

The National Labor Relations Board is an independent federal agency vested with the power to safeguard employees' rights to organize and to determine whether to have unions as their bargaining representative. The agency also acts to prevent and remedy unfair labor practices committed by private sector employers and unions.

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